## Franchise Tax Board

## **SUMMARY ANALYSIS OF AMENDED BILL**

Author: AR&T Committee	Analyst:	LuAnna Hass	Bill N	Number: <u>AB 2979</u>
Related Bills: See Prior Analys	is Telephone	e: <u>845-7478</u>	Amended Date:	April 30, 2002
	Attorney:	Patrick Kusiak	Spons	sor:
SUBJECT: Adjust. Of Refundable Credit/Clarify Gov't Code/Electronic Signatures/Frivolous Return Penalty/HRA Technical				
DEPARTMENT AMENDMENTS ACCEPTED. Amendments reflect suggestions of previous analysis of bill as introduced <u>February 27, 2002</u> .				
AMENDMENTS IMPACT REVENUE. A new revenue estimate is provided.				
AMENDMENTS DID NOT RESOLVE THE DEPARTMENT'S CONCERNS stated in the previous analysis of bill as introduced/amended				
FURTHER AMENDMENTS NECESSARY.				
DEPARTMENT POSITION CHANGED TO				
REMAINDER OF PREVIOUS ANALYSIS OF BILL AS INTRODUCED <u>February 27, 2002,</u> X STILL APPLIES.				
OTHER - See comments below.				
<ul> <li>SUMMARY</li> <li>This Franchise Tax Board (FTB) sponsored bill would: <ul> <li>Amend the Government Code to delete an obsolete reference.</li> <li>Give FTB statutory authority both to accept e-signatures for returns and to prescribe procedures for e-signatures for returns.</li> <li>Address an administrative problem in the processing of the Child and Dependent Care Credit.</li> <li>Conform state law to federal law regarding certain penalties.</li> <li>Make nonsubstantive, technical changes to the Senior Citizens Homeowners and Renters Property Tax Assistance Laws.</li> </ul> </li></ul>				
SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT				
The April 30, 2002, amendments resolved the department's technical consideration by accepting the amendment suggested in the department's analysis of this bill as introduced February 27, 2002. In addition, the April 30 amendments would make technical changes to clarify the language regarding electronic signatures and remove the provision that would have included "clerical error" in the definition of "mathematical error." The remainder of the department's analysis of the bill as introduced February 27, 2002, still applies.				
Board Position:			egislative Director	Date
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## **POSITION**

Support.

On March 6, 2002, the Franchise Tax Board voted 2-0 to sponsor the language included in this bill.

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